

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Eggiman et al.  
Title: BAT WITH COMPOSITE  
HANDLE  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Preliminary Amendment is made to the present continuation application of the above-referenced Prior Application No. 10/438,489, which is a divisional application of Application No. 10/115,593.

Please amend the present continuation application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 64-68 and 104-107 without prejudice, as indicated in Section B.

Please add new claims 108-135 as indicated in Section B.

In the Specification:

Please amend page 1 as indicated in Section C.